

**MINUTES OF THE
EXECUTIVE OFFICES AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Wednesday, October 18, 2017 • 2:10 p.m. • House Building, Large Committee Room

Members Absent:

Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher, Senate Chair
Rep. Eric K. Hutchings, House Chair
Rep. Bruce R. Cutler, House Vice Chair
Sen. Curtis S. Bramble
Sen. Margaret Dayton
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Sen. Ralph Okerlund

Rep. Cheryl K. Acton
Rep. James A. Dunnigan
Rep. Brian M. Greene
Rep. Ken Ivory
Rep. Brian S. King
Rep. Angela Romero
Rep. Logan Wilde

Staff Present:

Mr. Gary R. Syphus, Fiscal Analyst
Mr. Alexander R. Wilson, Fiscal Analyst
Ms. Debbie Benson, Administrative Assistant

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.leg.utah.gov.

1. Beginning of Joint Discussion with the Social Services Appropriations Subcommittee

Chair Ray welcomed the EOCJ subcommittee, and explained that the joint meeting would be starting after the discussion of Medication-Assisted Treatment for Substance Abuse Disorder was finished.

Mr. Brian Carrico, President, Innovative Health Solutions, explained a new evidenced based nonpharmacological, nonsurgical technology in the world to treat pain and opioid withdrawal symptoms at the level of the brain and pain in the central nervous system, called The Bridge. This should be released by the FDA to the press, hopefully by Friday.

2. Beginning of Joint Discussion with the Executive Offices and Criminal Justice (EOCJ)

Chair Ray explained that the Social Services Appropriations Subcommittee would take a slight break while EOCJ Chair Hutchings called the EOCJ meeting to order, and explained how this joint committee would proceed. Chair Ray then reconvened the joint meeting.

3. Suspension of Medicaid Coverage for Incarcerated Individuals

Chair Ray explained questions that he would like answered as the next agenda items are discussed.

Ms. Chacon explained Suspension of Medicaid Coverage for Incarcerated Individuals.

Sen. Shiozawa, Rep. Cutler, Rep. Thurston, Rep. Redd, Rep. Chavez-Houck, and Rep. Ward, raised questions about Medicaid eligibility, with responses from Ms. Chacon and Mr. Dale Ownby, Division Director, Eligibility Services Division, Department of Workforce Services.

Rep. Hutchings made a follow-up comment concerning the Medicaid coverage.

Ms. Chacon gave a short explanation on the expansion of Medicaid, which is part of agenda item 10.

Chair Ray announced that agenda item 9 would be not be considered today, but moved to an agenda on another day.

4. Mental Health Crisis Response Funding Needs

Rep. Elliason, assisted by Mr. Thomas, explained a commission that was set up for the Mental Health Crisis Line and its funding needs.

8-Recommendations from Mental Health Crisis Line Commission - October 2017

Rep. Chavez-Houck entertained a comment and question, with responses from Rep. Elliason and Mr. Thomas.

Chair Ray turned the Chair to Rep. Hutchings.

5. Remaining Budget Needs of the Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI) and Funding Options

Rep. Hutchings assumed the Chair and explained his special guest.

Mr. Dane Otto met Chair Hutchings at an Addicts to Athletes meeting and was asked by Chair Hutchings to discussed the Rio Grande Project and what it did for he and his friends.

Mr. Gary Syphus, Fiscal Analyst, Ms. Clare Tobin Lence, Fiscal Analyst, and Mr. Alex Wilson, Fiscal Analyst, explained an issue brief on the Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI) and the analysts recommendations.

10a-Issue Brief - 2017 Interim - JRI Remaining Needs

Rep. Ray resumed the chair.

Sen. Shiozawa commented on the motions.

Rep. Hutchings assumed the Chair.

Chair Hutchings commented on the budget outline on page 6 of the Issue Brief just discussed.

Ms. Doreen Weyland, Coordinator, Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice (CCJJ), and Ms. Sophia Nystrom, Research Consultant, CCJJ, gave a powerpoint presentation on the Utah Justice Reinvestment Initiative.

10c-JRI Presentation - October 18, 2017

Rep. Ray excused the Senators for a meeting they needed to attend.

Chair Hutchings and Rep. Ray asked about the justice involved clients admitted to substance use treatment facilities. Mr. Kelsey responded.

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Rep. King and Rep. Romero, raised questions concerning substance use treatment facilities, with responses from Mr. Kelsey and Chair Hutchings.

Ms. Weyland and Ms. Nystrom continued with their presentation.

Rep. Ray raised a question concerning property crime, with response from Ms. Nystrom and Ms. Weyland.

6. Other Business

Chair Hutchings asked if there was any joint committee discussion. The EOCJ committee adjourned. Rep. Ray assumed the chair and expressed thanks to the committee and staff, as well as the presentors.

Rep. King moved to adjourn.

Chair Ray announced that this is the last meeting before the general session and thanked the subcommittee and staff.

Chair Hutchings adjourned the EOCJ meeting at 4:32 p.m.

Rep. Brian King moved to adjourned the Executive Office and Criminal Justice Subcommittee joint meeting at 4:33 p.m.

Chair Ray adjourned the Social Services meeting at 4:34 p.m..